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EXAMINING GROUP 3711PATENT  
2927-0103P

## IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Norio SUMITOMO et al. Conf.: 6992  
Appl. No.: 09/295,273 Group: 3711  
Filed: April 20, 1999 Examiner: S. VARMA  
For: GOLF CLUB SHAFT

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FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

September 21, 2001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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SERIAL NO.: 09/295,273 Art Unit: 3711  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

September 21, 2001

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2001, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to September 21, 2001, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

Please amend the following claims.

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1. (Twice Amended) A golf club shaft having a plurality of fiber reinforced resinous layers which are layered one upon another in a winding state,

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